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S. 384

To establish the Springfield 1908 Race Riot National Monument in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself and Mr. DURBIN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

To establish the Springfield 1908 Race Riot National Monument in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the “Springfield 1908 Race
5 Riot National Monument Act”.

6 SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

7 In this Act:

8 (1) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
9 means the Springfield 1908 Advisory Commission
10 established by section 3(g)(1).

1 (2) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map en-
2 titled “Springfield 1908 Race Riot National Memo-
3 rial Proposed Boundary”, numbered 687/148588,
4 and dated February 2023.

5 (3) MEMORIAL.—The term “Memorial” means
6 the memorial required to be constructed under sec-
7 tion 3(a)(1)(B), including the structure, interpretive
8 signage, and associated infrastructure.

9 (4) NATIONAL MONUMENT.—The term “Na-
10 tional Monument” means the Springfield 1908 Race
11 Riot National Monument established by section
12 3(a)(1).

13 (5) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
14 the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Di-
15 rector of the National Park Service.

16 (6) STATE.—The term “State” means the State
17 of Illinois.

18 **SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF SPRINGFIELD 1908 RACE RIOT**

19 **NATIONAL MONUMENT.**

20 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
22 there is established in the State the Springfield 1908
23 Race Riot National Monument as a unit of the Na-
24 tional Park System—

(B) that shall include the construction of a permanent memorial, within the boundary of the National Monument, to—

10 (i) the victims, survivors, and de-
11 scendants of survivors of the Springfield
12 Race Riot of 1908; and

13 (ii) the Springfield community.

14 (2) CONDITIONS.—The National Monument
15 shall not be established until the date on which the
16 Secretary acquires sufficient land within the bound-
17 ary of the National Monument to constitute a man-
18 ageable unit.

19 (b) BOUNDARIES.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—The boundary of the Na-
21 tional Monument shall be the boundary generally de-
22 picted on the Map.

(2) CORRECTION OF ERRORS.—The Secretary
may correct minor errors in the Map.

1 (c) ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may
2 acquire any land or interest in land located within the
3 boundary of the National Monument by—

- 4 (1) donation;
5 (2) purchase with donated or appropriated
6 funds; or
7 (3) exchange.

8 (d) ADMINISTRATIVE SITES AND VISITOR FACILI-
9 TIES.—To facilitate the administration of the National
10 Monument, the Secretary may expend appropriated funds
11 to acquire or lease essential facilities for the administra-
12 tion of the National Monument and visitor services outside
13 the boundary, but within the vicinity, of the National
14 Monument.

15 (e) MEMORIAL.—In accordance with subsection
16 (a)(1)(B), the Secretary shall, using donated or appro-
17 priated funds, construct a Memorial within the boundary
18 of the National Monument.

19 (f) AGREEMENTS.—The Secretary may enter into
20 agreements with—

21 (1) the city of Springfield or other public or pri-
22 vate entities for the purpose of establishing, man-
23 aging, and operating within or outside of the bound-
24 ary of the National Monument facilities for adminis-

1 tration and visitor services authorized under sub-
2 section (e); and

3 (2) other public or private entities for—

4 (A) the construction of the Memorial;

5 (B) the interpretation of sites associated
6 with the Springfield Race Riot of 1908 located
7 within or outside the boundary of the National
8 Monument; and

9 (C) other purposes of this Act.

10 (g) SPRINGFIELD 1908 ADVISORY COMMISSION.—

11 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established an
12 advisory commission, to be known as the “Spring-
13 field 1908 Advisory Commission”, to advise the Sec-
14 retary with respect to the management and develop-
15 ment of the National Monument.

16 (2) MEMBERSHIP.—The Commission shall be
17 composed of 11 members, to be appointed by the
18 Secretary, of whom—

19 (A) 3 members shall reside in the city of
20 Springfield or Sangamon County in the State;

21 (B) 3 members shall be appointed after
22 consideration of recommendations submitted by
23 the Governor of the State;

24 (C) 3 members shall be appointed after
25 consideration of recommendations submitted by

1 the Mayor of the city of Springfield in the
2 State; and

3 (D) 2 members shall be appointed who
4 have experience in the field of historic preserva-
5 tion or the purposes for which the National
6 Monument was established.

7 (3) TERM.—

8 (A) IN GENERAL.—A member of the Com-
9 mission shall be appointed for a term of 5
10 years.

11 (B) SUCCESSORS.—Notwithstanding the
12 expiration of a 5-year term of a member of the
13 Commission, a member of the Commission may
14 continue to serve on the Commission until the
15 date on which—

16 (i) the member is reappointed by the
17 Secretary; or

18 (ii) a successor is appointed by the
19 Secretary.

20 (4) CHAIRPERSON.—The Commission shall have
21 a Chairperson, who shall be elected by the members
22 of the Commission.

23 (5) BYLAWS.—The Commission shall adopt
24 such bylaws as the Commission considers necessary

1 to carry out the duties of the Commission under this
2 subsection.

3 (6) VACANCIES.—A vacancy on the Commission
4 shall be filled in the same manner in which the origi-
5 nal appointment was made.

6 (7) QUORUM.—A majority of the members of
7 the Commission shall constitute a quorum.

8 (8) COMPENSATION.—Members of the Commis-
9 sion shall serve without compensation, except that
10 the Secretary may pay the expenses incurred by the
11 Commission in carrying out the duties of the Com-
12 mission under this subsection.

13 (9) FACA NONAPPLICABILITY.—Section
14 1013(b) of title 5, United States Code, shall not
15 apply to the Commission.

16 (10) TERMINATION.—The Commission shall
17 terminate on the date that is 12 years after the date
18 of enactment of this Act.

19 (h) ADMINISTRATION.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall admin-
21 ister the National Monument in accordance with—

22 (A) this Act; and

23 (B) the laws generally applicable to units
24 of the National Park System.

25 (2) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

